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NOTE FOR:	Bob Gates		SEP 1982
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SUBJECT:	Political Planning	Analyst Support to Te g Effort	chnology
Per our meeting this morning, this note is to request that you identify an experienced political analyst to serve on a Technology Steering Panel which is being established to identify future information needs capable of being addressed through technological initiatives as part of our 1982 long-range planning effort. The other members of this panel will be the Chairmen of STIC, WSSIC, EIC, JAEIC, and TTIC or their designees, and we hope to have of the Senior Review Panel serve as Chairman.  Of my staff will serve as the panel's STAT executive secretary.  STAT  I believe a seasoned political analyst or manager would make a unique contribution to the work of this panel, and thus I hope you are able to accommodate this request. Additional details regarding the functions of the panel are contained in the terms of reference for the Critical Technology Initiative included in the package I left with you this morning.  I thought our meeting this morning was very profitable and I look forward to working closely with you and Dick in the months ahead.  STAT			